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Potato Acreage

North Dakota

Acreage planted to potatoes in North Dakota for 2010 is estimated at 90,000 acres, up 8 percent from 2009, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, North Dakota Field Office. Area for harvest is forecast at 84,000 acres, a 12 percent increase from last year. Potato planting was virtually complete by May 30, two weeks ahead of the five-year (2005-2009) average.

Russets account for 54 percent of the total acreage, up from 42 percent last year. Whites, at 30 percent, are down from 33 percent in 2009. Reds account for 15 percent of the total, down from 24 percent last year. Yellows account for 1 percent of the total acreage, the same as last year.

United States

Area planted to fall potatoes in 2010 is estimated at 896,100 acres, down 4 percent from the 2009 crop year. Harvested area is forecast at 882,300 acres, also down 4 percent from 2009.

Fall Potatoes: Area Planted and Harvested and Percent of Acreage Planted by Type of Potatoes, 11 Major States and Total Fall States, 2009-2010

State	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Planted by Type ¹							
					Reds		Whites		Yellows		Russets	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	1,000 Acres	1,000 Acres	1,000 Acres	1,000 Acres	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
North Dakota	83.0	90.0	75.0	84.0	24	15	33	30	1	1	42	54
Colorado	56.0	55.5	55.2	55.2	3	2	2	3	11	10	84	85
Idaho	320.0	295.0	319.0	294.0	2	3	4	4	1	1	93	92
Maine	56.0	55.5	55.5	55.0	6	5	35	39	8	5	51	51
Michigan	45.0	44.0	43.5	43.5	2	2	80	87	1		17	11
Minnesota	47.0	43.0	45.0	40.0	23	21	10	9	1	1	66	69
New York	17.1	16.2	16.5	15.6	6	3	88	90	5	5	1	2
Oregon	37.0	35.0	37.0	35.0	1	3	16	14	1	2	82	81
Pennsylvania	10.0	10.0	9.5	9.5	3	5	95	92	1	1	1	2
Washington	145.0	135.0	145.0	135.0	3	3	16	11	1	1	80	85
Wisconsin	63.5	62.5	63.0	62.0	8	10	36	37	1	1	55	52
Total, 11 Major States					6	6	20	20	2	2	72	72
Total, Fall States	937.1	896.1	919.6	882.3								

¹ Predominant type shown may include small portion of other types constituting less than 1 percent of State's total.